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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosure attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that it be considered and made of record in this application.

The enclosed document was cited in Applicants' corresponding European application, and a copy of the Communication from the European Patent Office dated October 16, 2006 is enclosed.

In accordance with the amendments to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a) (revisions effective October 21, 2004) and as discussed in the October 19, 2004 Official Gazette (1287 OG 163), a copy of the U.S. patent cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 is not enclosed.

Since the patent was cited in the Communication from the European Patent Office not more than three months prior to the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, it is believed that no fee is required for consideration of this patent. However, the Examiner is

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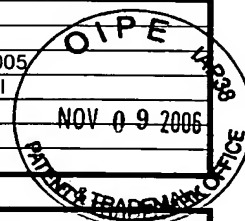
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